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**What words come to your mind by
just looking at the picture?**



Marine Life in Danger – level 2



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A study says that the population of **marine species** around the world **declined** by 49% between 1970 and 2012. The study shows that marine life is disappearing faster than scientists thought.

This is bad news for the animals, as well as people. Many people need the ocean to make a living.

The reason for this is rising water temperatures, over-fishing and climate change. Experts say that we could lose the coral reefs from most areas by 2050.

Difficult words: **marine** (relating to the sea), **species** (a type of animal), **decline** (to become less).



VOCABULARIES

- Marine species /mə'ri:n 'spi:ʃi:z/
 - Type of animal relating to the sea
- Decline *v.* /di'klaɪn/
 - To become less
- Disappear *v.* /,dis.ə'pɪr/
 - To no longer exist
- Scientist *n.* /'saɪəntɪst/
 - An expert
- Overfishing *n.* /,oʊ.və'fɪʃ.ɪŋ/
 - catching too many fish in an area of the sea, so that there are not many fish left there
- Climate change *n.* /'klaɪ.mət ,tʃeɪndʒ/
 - Changes in the world's weather
- Coral reef *n.* /,kɔ:r.əl 'ri:f/
 - An area of coral



Quick Check

- What does the study say according to this news article?
- Does the study show that marine life is increasing faster than before?
- Does this article bring good news?
- What is the reason for the disappearing marine life?
- What did the experts say?

Conversation Questions

1. Are you fond of the marine life? What made you say so?
2. How do you respond to what the study is showing in this article?
3. What possible solutions can you propose to prevent the following from totally disappearing:
 - Coral reefs
 - Endangered small fishes
 - Endangered big fishes